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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): Constellation A constellation information transmitting arrangement (BiGi_TA) for use in-a multi-carrier transmitter (TX) or a multi-carrier receiver (RX) of a multi-carrier system, said arrangement (BiGi_TA) comprising:

means (BiGi_PROD) for producing carrier constellation information indicative for constellations where respective carriers will be modulated with by said multi-carrier transmitter (TX); and

means (BiGi-TX) for transmitting said carrier constellation information,

wherein CHARACTERISED IN THAT said means (BiGi_PROD) for producing carrier constellation information is adapted to produce for at least one respective carrier subset (SUBSET1, SUBSET2, ..., SUBSET8) a set of parameter values (B1, G1; B2, G2; ...; B8, G8) from which constellations of all carriers (f0 ... f511, f512 ... f1023, ..., f3584 ... f4095) in said at least one respective carrier subset (SUBSET1; SUBSET2; ...; SUBSET8) can be retrieved through interpolation.

2. (currently amended): Arrangement (BiGi_TA)The constellation information transmitting arrangement according to claim 1,

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whereinCHARACTERISED IN THAT said set of parameter values (B1, G1; B2, G2; ...; B8, G8) consists of a first number of bits (B1; B2; ...; B8) and a first gain value (G1; G2; ...; G8).

3. (currently amended): Arrangement (BiGi_TA)The constellation information transmitting arrangement according to claim 1,

whereinCHARACTERISED IN THAT said set of parameter values consists of a first number of bits, a first gain value and a second gain value.

4. (currently amended): Arrangement (BiGi_TA)The constellation information transmitting arrangement according to claim 3,

wherein CHARACTERISED IN THAT said constellations of all carriers in said at least one respective carrier subset (SUBSET1; SUBSET2; ...; SUBSET8) can be retrieved through linear interpolation.

5. (currently amended): Arrangement (BiGi_TA)The constellation information transmitting arrangement according to claim 1,

CHARACTERISED IN THAT said arrangement (BiGi_TA)_further contains comprising:

means to produce a description of said at least one respective carrier subset (SUBSET1; SUBSET2; ...; SUBSET8); and

means to transmit said description of said at least one respective carrier subset (SUBSET1; SUBSET2; ...; SUBSET8).

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6. (currently amended): Arrangement (BiGi_TA)The constellation information transmitting arrangement according to claim 1,

whereinCHARACTERISED IN THAT N carriers are divided into M subsets of N/M carriers with successive carrier indices, N being a first integer number representing a total amount of carriers used in said multi-carrier system, and M representing a second integer number whereby N is an integer multiple of M.

7. (currently amended): Constellation A constellation information receiving arrangement (BiGi_RA) for use in a multi-carrier transmitter (TX) or a multi-carrier receiver (RX) of a multi-carrier system, said arrangement (BiGi_RA) comprising:

means (BiGi_RX) for receiving carrier constellation information indicative for constellations where respective carriers will be modulated with by said multi-carrier transmitter (TX); and

means (BiGi_DET) for determining said constellations from said carrier constellation information,

<u>whereinCHARACTERISED IN THAT</u> said means (BiGi_DET) for determining said constellations <u>comprise</u> <u>comprises</u>

interpolating means adapted to retrieve constellations of all carriers (f₀ ... f₅₁₁, f₅₁₂ ... f₁₀₂₃, ..., f₃₅₈₄ ... f₄₀₉₅) in at least one respective carrier subset (SUBSET1; SUBSET2; ...; SUBSET8) from a respective set of parameter values (B1, G1; B2, G2; ...; B8, G8) that forms part of said carrier constellation information.

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8. (currently amended): Arrangement (BiGi-RA)The constellation information receiving arrangement according to claim 7,

wherein CHARACTERISED IN THAT said set of parameter values (B1, G1; B2, G2; ...; B8, G8) consists of a first number of bits (B1; B2; ...; B8) and a first gain value (G1; G2; ...; G8) and in that said interpolating means is adapted to determine for each carrier (f₀ ... f₅₁₁, f₅₁₂ ... f₁₀₂₃ £3584 £4095) in said at least one respective carrier subset (SUBSET1; SUBSET2; ...; SUBSET8) a number of bits equal to said first number (B1; B2; ...; B8) and a gain value equal to said first gain value (G1; G2; ...; G8).

9. (currently amended): Arrangement (BiGi-RA)The constellation information receiving arrangement according to claim 7,

wherein CHARACTERISED IN THAT said set of parameter values consists of a first number of bits, a first gain value and a second gain value, and in that

wherein said interpolating means is adapted to determine for each carrier in said at least one respective carrier subset a number of bits equal to said first number of bits and a gain value through linear interpolation between said first gain value and said second gain value.

10. (currently amended): Arrangement (BiGi RA) The constellation information receiving according to claim 7,

CHARACTERISED IN THAT said arrangement (BiGi-RA)_further contains comprising:

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means to receive a description of said at least one respective carrier subset-(SUBSET1; SUBSET2; ...; SUBSET8);, and

means to interpret said description of said at least one respective carrier subset (SUBSET1; SUBSET2;...; SUBSET8).

- 11. (new): The constellation information transmitting arrangement according to claim 2, wherein said interpolation retrieves the first number of bits and the gain value.
- 12. (new): The constellation information transmitting arrangement according to claim 7, wherein said interpolation retrieves a number of bits and a gain value of the parameter of values.